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WEEKLY ROUNDUP OF WORLD PRODUCTION AND TRADE

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 12--The Foreign Agricultural Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture today reported the following recent developments in U.S. agricultural trade:

U.S. AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS

U.S. agricultural exports during November 1982 dropped 10 percent in volume to 12.9 million tons and 19 percent in value to \$3.0 billion from the same month a year ago. Sharply lower wheat shipments and much lower corn and soybean prices compared to November 1981 accounted for most of the decline in export value.

U.S. agricultural exports for the first two months of fiscal 1983 (October-November) were valued at \$5.9 billion, down 23 percent in value from \$7.7 billion in the comparable period a year earlier. Export volume for October-November was down 17 percent to 25 million tons, compared with 30.1 million tons for this period last year.

U.S. exports of wheat in November fell 26 percent in volume (compared to November 1981) to 2.6 million tons because of the absence of exports to the Soviet Union and much lower shipments to China and North Africa. No shipments were made to the Soviet Union in November, compared to 489,000 tons the year before. Wheat exports to China in November dropped to 246,000 tons, compared with 513,000 tons a year earlier. Wheat prices were down 9 percent to \$158 per ton, resulting in a 32-percent drop in total wheat export value.

U.S. corn exports in November declined 3 percent in volume to 4.3 million tons, as declines to Western Europe and other regions offset the large increase in shipments to the Soviet Union. Corn shipments dropped nearly 200,000 tons to West Germany (compared with November 1981) and more than 100,000 tons to Spain, while exports to the Soviet Union rose more than 300,000 tons to 1.0 million tons. Corn export prices in November were \$101 per ton, down 18 percent from a year earlier, yielding a 20-percent decline in total corn export value.

Soybean export volume in November dropped 10 percent to 2.5 million tons, primarily reflecting lower shipments to Japan. Export prices--at \$223 per ton--were 13 percent lower than in November 1981, resulting in a 22-percent drop in total export value.

The volume and value of exports of soybean meal, soybean oil, feed and fodder and tobacco, among others, were up in November compared to a year earlier. Export volume and value of rice, cotton and poultry meat, among others, were down compared to last November.

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U.S. AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS

U.S. agricultural imports during November 1982--at \$1.2 billion--were up 2 percent from the same month a year ago. Import volume for November was down 16 percent from a year earlier.

Horticultural product imports of \$363 million and livestock and livestock product imports of \$229 million were up 17 and 18 percent, respectively, from November 1981. Imports of sugar and tropical products (\$451 million) and oilseeds and products (\$38 million) were partially offsetting with declines of 15 and 25 percent, respectively, from November 1981.

U.S. agricultural imports during the first two months of fiscal 1983 totaled \$2.7 billion, up 2 percent from the pace set during the same two months of the previous fiscal year. Fruit and vegetable imports of \$738 million were 16 percent greater than the comparable two-month period in 1981. Increases occurred in a number of fruit and vegetable products, led by orange juice concentrate imports of \$75 million, more than double the value of the accumulated two-month period in 1981. The value of coffee imports during the current two-month period was \$543 million, up 16 percent, despite a 6-percent decline in the November 1982 import value.

AGRICULTURAL TRADE BALANCE

U.S. trade activity in November 1982 resulted in an agricultural trade surplus of \$1.8 billion, down 29 percent from the \$2.6 billion surplus recorded in November 1981. For the first two months of the current fiscal year, the agricultural trade balance posted a surplus of \$3.2 billion, down 36 percent from the same two months a year earlier.

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COMMODITIES	UNIT	CUMULATIVE TO DATE			CURRENT MONTH (NOVEMBER)		
		QUANTITY	VALUE	%	QUANTITY	VALUE	%
GRAINS AND FEEDS							
WHEAT & WHEAT FLOUR	MT	7769,265	5496,152	-29	1,327,769	848,387	-36
WHEAT	MT	7742,473	5256,896	-32	1,322,079	830,618	-37
WHEAT FLOUR	MT	26,792	239,256	+793	5,690	17,769	+212
RICE	MT	531,029	293,870	-45	1,239,765	122,905	-49
COARSE GRAINS	MT	11152,415	9571,449	-14	1,393,762	965,361	-31
CORN	MT	9380,834	8529,039	-9	1,168,311	856,759	-27
GRAIN SORGHUM	MT	1193,431	952,983	-20	145,101	99,106	-32
BARLEY	MT	546,357	85,672	-84	75,425	8,920	-88
OATS	MT	3,801	3,338	-12	529	534	+1
RYE	MT	27,992	4,17	-99	4,396	4,2	-99
FEEDS & FOUDERS	MT	968,521	975,576	+1	165,054	166,295	+1
PULSES	MT	333,819	123,057	-63	225,150	55,118	-76
BEANS, DRIED	MT	301,890	84,368	-72	212,622	40,835	-81
PEAS, DRIED	MT	19,904	26,457	+33	6,732	9,086	+35
LENTILS, ETC.	DRI	12,025	12,232	+2	5,796	5,197	-10
OTHER	XXX				66,368	62,264	-6
TOTAL	XXX				3,417,869	2,220,330	-35
						1567,917	1098,623
							-30
OILSEADS & PRODUCTS							
TOTAL OILSEADS	MT	5581,760	-8	1,642,668	1,282,344	-22	3173,028
SOYBEANS	MT	5564,290	1,446,280	-8	1,139,456	-21	2822,050
SUNFLOWER SEED	MT	471,014	398,648	-15	127,681	94,039	-26
PEANUTS	MT	52,503	54,851	+4	64,177	45,070	-30
OTHER OILSEADS	MT	8,072	14,147	+75	4,530	3,779	-17
SOYBEAN MEAL	MT	1103,356	1062,567	-4	257,102	223,090	-13
OTHER MEAL	MT	86,469	31,559	-65	14,610	5,657	-61
TOTAL VEG. OILS	MT	235,496	251,298	+7	136,586	134,649	-1
SOYBEAN OIL	MT	151,410	161,452	+7	80,398	79,870	-1
SUNFLOWER OIL	MT	20,260	9,201	-55	11,912	4,961	-58
COTTONSEED OIL	MT	36,103	50,873	+41	21,918	25,692	+17
OTHER VEG. OILS	MT	27,723	29,772	+7	22,358	24,126	+8
OTHER	XXX				23,630	21,582	-9
TOTAL	XXX				2,074,597	1,667,322	-20
SEEDS	MT	20,365	27,163	+33	38,233	47,104	+23
						10,427	13,300
						+28	21,045
							23,993
COTTON & LINERS							+14
RAW COTTON 2/	STB	773,647	707,398	-9	271,421	218,885	-19
LINTERS 2/	STB	41,493	84,127	+103	2,112	5,270	+149
SILK	STB	443	100	-78	39	16	-82
TOTAL	STB	815,548	791,625	-3	273,623	224,171	-18

U.S. AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS TO ALL DESTINATIONS
OCTOBER 1981 - NOVEMBER 1982

COMMODITIES	UNIT:	CUMULATIVE TO DATE		CURRENT MONTH (NOVEMBER)	
		QUANTITY	VALUE	QUANTITY	VALUE
TOBACCO UNMFG.					
BURLEY.....	MT	2,040	5,752 +182	13,377	41,477 +210
FLUE-CURED..	MT	51,866	53,527 +3	358,719	392,642 +9
FIRE-SUN CURED....	MT	1,202	2,721 +126	5,351	10,773 +101
MARYLAND....	MT	785	1,231 +57	5,486	8,387 +53
CIGAR.....	MT	147	100 -32	2,796	2,704 -3
OTHER LEAF..	MT	907	516 -43	8,018	5,708 -29
STEMS.....	MT	11,740	12,246 +4	8,939	6,299 -30
TOTAL.....	MT	68,686	76,093 +11	402,686	467,991 +16
POULTRY PRODUCTS					
MEAT.....					
BROILER..	MT	59,735	39,114 -35	67,206	40,337 -40
TURKEY....	MT	6,614	4,965 -25	11,044	8,366 -24
OTHER POULTRY MEAT:	MT	2,195	1,358 -38	2,790	1,646 -41
EGGS.....	DZ	21,443	31,571 +47	19,583	20,555 +5
EGG PRODUCTS.....	MT	7,910	2,375 -70	12,309	3,780 -70
OTHER.....	XXX			22,042	19,657 -11
TOTAL.....	XXX			135,473	94,341 -30
DAIRY PRODUCTS					
NON-FAT DRY MILK....	MT	14,734	33,575 +128	9,509	21,849 +130
CHEESE.....	MT	1,076	5,436 +405	4,086	8,111 +99
BUTTER.....	MT	20,567	10,880 -47	35,174	18,530 -47
OTHER.....	XXX			17,909	14,687 -18
TOTAL.....	XXX			66,679	63,177 -5
LIVESTOCK & PRODS.					
MEAT.....					
BEEF.....	MT	14,586	17,354 +19	57,667	78,347 +36
PORK....	MT	16,572	8,298 -50	35,154	24,965 -29
VARIETY.....	MT	35,492	43,297 +22	51,535	51,743 ---
TALLOW.....	MT	243,866	206,072 -15	112,109	84,173 -25
LARD.....	MT	11,800	6,654 -44	6,779	3,684 -46
LIVE CATTLE.....	NO	16,237	8,353 -49	13,265	5,900 -56
CATTLE HIDES.....	XXX			99,935	121,565 +22
FURSKINS....	NO	1431,335	1255,056 -12	21,993	13,889 -37
OTHER.....	XXX			127,114	109,690 -14
TOTAL.....	XXX			525,452	493,955 -6

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COMMODITIES	UNIT	CUMULATIVE TO DATE			CURRENT MONTH (NOVEMBER)					
		QUANTITY	VALUE	%	QUANTITY	VALUE	%			
		110,811-11/81:10/82-11/82:DIF	10/81-11/81:10/82-11/82:DIF	X	1981 :	1982 : DIF	X			
HORTICULTURAL PROD.										
TREE NUTS.....	MT	64,863	56,111	-13	128,007	117,601	-8			
FRUIT.....	MT	119,649	78,311	-35	241,428	232,568	-4			
FRESH, CITRUS.....	MT	147,861	151,148	+2	39,941	-28	60,118	38,406	-36	
FRESH, NON-CITRUS.....	MT	22,377	21,400	-4	101,026	+8	66,501	71,867	+8	
CANNED.....	MT	21,303	20,998	-1	20,464	19,157	-6	10,230	10,279	---
DRIED.....	MT	23,226	22,553	-3	38,059	38,016	---	10,696	10,464	-2
JUICES.....	GAL	184,090	91,321	-50	34,448	34,428	---	11,798	11,035	-6
VEGETABLES, FRESH.....	MT	71,578	62,720	-12	73,072	35,133	-52	91,994	48,207	-48
VEG., PREP., PRES.....	MT				64,507	59,549	-8	38,482	29,125	-24
OTHER.....	XXX					79,903	+1			
TOTAL.....	XXX				586,175	524,756	-10			
								280,812	248,617	-11

SUGAR & TROP. PRODS.										
SUGAR & SWEETENERS.....	XXX	3,147	2,242	-29	67,486	16,890	-75	1,601	971	-39
COFFEE.....	MT				21,763	18,575	-15			
FLAVORING SYRUPS.....	XXX				29,000	31,223	+8			
OTHER.....	XXX				61,710	67,262	+9			
TOTAL.....	XXX				179,958	133,951	-26			

GRAND TOTAL.....	XXX				7,700,744	5,937,098	-23			

NOTE: VALUE UNITS ARE IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS. GALLON UNITS ARE IN THOUSANDS OF UNITS. DOZEN UNITS ARE IN THOUSANDS OF UNITS.

XXX	INDICATES QUANTITY TOTALS ARE NOT MEANINGFUL WHERE UNITS OF MEASURE DIFFER.
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1/	INCLUDES BY-PRODUCTS.
2/	STATISTICAL BALE = 480 LBS.
SOURCE:	U.S. CENSUS DATA (UNADJUSTED).

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U.S. AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS FROM ALL SOURCES
OCTOBER 1981 - NOVEMBER 1982

COMMODITIES	UNIT	CUMULATIVE TO DATE			CURRENT MONTH (NOVEMBER)		
		QUANTITY	VALUE	QUANTITY	VALUE	%	%
GRAINS AND FEEDS							
WHEAT & PRODUCTS.....	MT	32,827	54,377	466	43,146	50,895	+18
BARLEY & MALT.....	MT	25,660	29,985	+17	5,655	4,852	-14
OTH COARSE GRAINS 1/	MT	6,715	31,501	+369	1,911	4,567	+139
PULSES.....	MT	5,562	4,874	-12	3,995	2,851	-29
OTHER.....	XXX				33,309	35,239	+6
TOTAL.....	XXX				88,017	98,403	+12
OILSEEDS & PRODUCTS							
OILSEEDS.....	MT	52,781	34,136	-35	18,762	10,897	-42
COCONUT OIL.....	MT	73,764	52,011	-29	39,875	21,655	-46
PALM OIL.....	MT	22,245	40,153	+81	10,896	15,689	+44
OTHER VEG. OILS.....	MT	33,870	26,961	-20	28,196	22,475	-20
OTHER.....	MT	15,597	18,556	+19	7,035	6,506	-8
TOTAL.....	MT	198,257	171,817	-13	104,763	77,222	-26
SEEDS.....	MT	6,786	6,697	-1	12,337	10,561	-14
COTTON,LINTERS,SILK.....	MT		1,594		1,802	3,452	+92
TOBACCO UNMFG.							
CIGARETTE LEAF.....	MT	15,692	17,675	+13	48,387	54,256	+12
CIGAR LEAF.....	NT	551	297	-46	2,805	2,202	-22
SCRAP & STEMS.....	MT	6,816	8,397	+23	8,413	9,097	+8
TOTAL.....	MT	23,059	26,368	+14	59,605	65,555	+10
POULTRY PRODUCTS							
FEATHERS & DOWN.....	MT	1,021	961	-6	11,767	9,096	-23
POULTRY MEAT.....	MT	215	319	+48	1,014	1,267	+25
EGGS & PRODUCTS.....	XXX				458	387	-15
OTHER.....	XXX				238	866	+201
TOTAL.....	XXX				13,527	11,616	-14

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COMMODITIES	CUMULATIVE TO DATE			CURRENT MONTH (NOVEMBER)					
	UNIT:	QUANTITY	VALUE	UNIT:	QUANTITY	VALUE			
DAIRY PRODUCTS									
CHEESE, QUOTA.....	MT :	19,594	19,907	+2	57,898	59,395	+3		
CHEESE, NON-QUOTA....	MT :	3,054	4,264	+40	11,906	17,063	+43		
CASEIN.....	MT :	10,215	13,702	+34	30,069	38,944	+30		
OTHER.....	XXX:				2,775	3,756	+35		
TOTAL.....	XXX:				102,648	119,157	+16		
						55,673	63,837	+15	
LIVESTOCK & PRODS.									
WOOL.....	MT :	5,012	2,953	-41	22,494	12,078	-46		
MEAT.....	MT :	129,961	144,375	+11	307,797	325,609	+6		
BEEF AND VEAL.....	MT :	93,437	97,881	+5	208,045	198,758	-4		
PORK.....	MT :	32,263	42,731	+32	87,705	117,808	+34		
OTHER (EDIBLE).....	MT :	4,261	3,763	-12	12,047	9,043	-25		
LIVE CATTLE.....	NO :	91,091	178,159	+96	33,639	57,207	+70		
OTHER LIVESTOCK.....	NO :	28,390	74,945	+164	25,966	44,183	+70		
HIDES & SKINS.....	XXX:				15,394	9,842	-36		
FURSKINS.....	XXX:				12,678	8,600	-32		
OTHER.....	XXX:				26,423	23,096	-13		
TOTAL.....	XXX:				444,393	480,616	+8		
						193,947	229,344	+18	
HORTICULTURAL PROD.									
FRUIT.....	MT :	476,382	513,756	+8	284,848	+32			
FRESH.....	MT :	55,859	62,494	+12	112,841	121,490	+8		
PREP. & PRES.....	MT :	237,061	462,851	+95	52,527	59,679	+14		
JUICES.....	LIT:	80,067	104,618	+31	103,679	+105	100,787		
VEGETABLES, FR/FZ.....	MT :	63,203	68,158	+8	26,008	34,332	+32		
VEG. • PREP. • PRES.....	MT :				54,618	59,865	+10		
TREE NUTS.....	XXX:				44,051	50,025	+14		
WINE.....	LIT:	88,095	87,322	-1	160,916	157,013	-2		
OTHER ALCOHOLIC BEV.	LIT:	106,379	115,964	+9	68,710	79,181	+15		
NURSERY PRODUCTS.....	XXX:				30,495	37,724	+24		
OTHER.....	XXX:				37,854	35,033	-7		
TOTAL.....	XXX:						638,617	738,021	+16

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		QUANTITY	VALUE	QUANTITY	VALUE
SUGAR & TROP. PRODS.					
SUGAR, RAW & REFINED:	MT	1022,631	6,33,986	-38	371,251
SWEETENERS.....	MT	83,603	1,26,844	+52	35,164
COCOA & PRODUCTS....	MT	60,995	67,692	+11	123,709
COFFEE.....	MT	190,245	209,540	+10	468,295
ESSENTIAL OILS.....	MT	924	1,200	+30	11,457
TEA.....	MT	13,303	15,617	+17	22,191
SPICES.....	MT	19,925	22,537	+13	25,938
FIBERS.....	MT	12,939	8,093	-37	8,704
RUBBER & ALLIED GUMS:	MT	128,096	110,546	-14	129,816
OTHER.....	XXX				
TOTAL.....	XXX				
GRAND TOTAL.....	XXX				

NOTE:	GRAND TOTAL	GRAND TOTAL
VALUE UNITS ARE IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS.	2,677,749	2,719,215
XXX INDICATES QUANTITY TOTALS ARE NOT MEANINGFUL WHERE UNITS OF MEASURE DIFFER.		+2
--- INDICATES CHANGE LESS THAN 1 PERCENT.		

- 1/ INCLUDES BY-PRODUCTS.
SOURCE: U.S. CENSUS DATA (UNADJUSTED).

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